

WATSON IS HELD ON EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

and Watson being confronted with the facts confessed to cashing the check, appropriating the money, and forging a voucher to cover the transaction. Watson got possession of the check by passing it through two banks and by closing his personal account in a third. By his own confession he carried the check in his pocketbook three months and finally tore it up and threw it down a sewer.

With these facts before them Mr. Tweedale and his assistants called upon the banks to furnish statements of the items of deposits since 1902. It is expected that these will show the exact amount of the defalcation, which Mr. Tweedale's checking of accounts has already shown to be upward of \$60,000.

Known Since Last Saturday.

The fact of Watson's alleged crookedness was made known to the Auditor last Saturday. He had several interviews with Watson and with John H. Bryant, Watson's father-in-law, reputed to be a wealthy man. The effort made by the Auditor was to have resuscitation made by a payment of the money involved, and then to make the disclosure to the Commissioners and demand Watson's removal.

The news was carried to Commissioner West yesterday that there had been irregularities in the Auditor's office, and an investigation was begun at once. Auditor Petty was summoned to Mr. West's office, and a hurried interview brought out the main facts of the embezzlement. Mr. West had hurried conferences with each of his colleagues, and the arrest of Watson was ordered.

Auditor Petty, at the order of the Commissioners, swore out the warrant, charging Watson with embezzlement. It was served at Watson's home, 2020 Columbia Road, about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He was taken to the Tenth precinct stationhouse at 7 o'clock, and passed the night there.

After his arrest yesterday, Watson was removed from his position by the District Commissioners, to take effect yesterday.

PHOTOGRAPHED AND MEASURED FOR THE ROGUE'S GALLERY

After spending a restless night in a cell at the Tenth precinct station, Watson was brought down to Headquarters about 10 o'clock this morning by Police-man Hunt. He was taken immediately to Major Sylvester's office, and there, after a short time with Detectives Parham and Hartigan.

After a brief conference with the detectives Watson was taken to the local Bureau of Identification, on the third floor of the building, to have his photograph taken for the rogue's gallery. This was done in accordance with the usual method. His measurements were then taken according to the Bertillon system, and the pictures were placed on file.

Major Sylvester was not at his office today, and did not take part in the proceedings at Headquarters. In his absence the case was in the hands of Captain Boardman, who later called at the residence of his chief to consult him in regard to the arrest.

Taken Before Judge Scott.

Shortly before 11 o'clock, Watson was taken before Judge Scott in the Police Court. A large crowd had gathered at the building to hear the case, and among them were many of the young prisoner's friends.

The specific charge against Watson, as set forth in the warrant, was the defalcation of \$5,000 from the District government.

When asked to plead to the charge the defendant answered in a trembling voice, "Not guilty," and Attorney Stewart McNamara, who has been retained as Watson's counsel, announced that he wished to waive a preliminary examination.

Asked to Fix Bail.

Prosecuting Attorney Alexander Mulwony asked the court to fix bond in the case. Mr. Mulwony suggested to his honor that inasmuch as the defalcations covered a period of about eighteen months or two years, and the money had been appropriated in sums about the same as the one named in the information upon which he was arraigned this morning, the bond be fixed at \$20,000.

"This seemed to be agreeable to counsel for the defense and Judge Scott and the court was about to fix the amount of the bond at that figure.

District Attorney James Pugh, of the lower branch of the Police Court, handed Mr. Mulwony a letter written by Commissioner West asking that the bond be fixed at a higher amount than that which Mr. Mulwony had suggested.

Commissioner West's letter, which Commissioner West sent his letter to District Attorney Pugh. The letter was as follows:

"In the newspaper reports of James M. Watson's defalcations in the District Building, I notice that the bond has been fixed at \$25,000. I would request that the Police Court judge fix the amount of bond at \$40,000, in view of the fact that the defalcations will run up to \$65,000 or \$75,000."

After Mr. Mulwony made this announcement the case assumed a different aspect. Mr. McNamara stated to the court that Mr. Mulwony had had a consultation with District Attorney Beach and the latter suggested \$20,000, and he (McNamara) considered that sufficient, because it was almost three times the amount alleged to have been appropriated by the defendant.

Asks for Larger Amount.

Mr. Mulwony argued that although the amount named in the warrant was \$5,000, it would run up to a considerably larger amount before the case was ended, and in view of the fact that a District Commissioner had requested \$40,000 be fixed as the bail, he asked Judge Scott to set it at that amount.

Mr. McNamara objected to his client being "made to suffer hardships by being placed under exorbitant and unprocurable bond, simply because Mr. West had suggested it."

In determining the amount of bond Judge Scott decided to act partly upon

Mr. West's suggestion and that of Mr. Mulwony, and fixed it at \$30,000.

Counsel for the defense announced that the bond was exorbitant, and stated that an appeal for a reduction would be made to the Supreme Court of the District.

Watson was placed in a witness room under the guard of Marshal Lacey. Several friends talked to him, but he refused to be interviewed by representatives of the press.

Mr. McNamara, after the bond had been fixed, said to a reporter for The Times:

"The bond is most exorbitant, and I will go to the Supreme Court to endeavor to obtain a reduction before I give bond for my client. I will procure the bond from four local bonding companies."

"In criminal cases no one company wishes to assume so great a responsibility, but when it is divided into four equal parts I can procure the bond without trouble."

Attorney McNamara declined to say anything regarding the outcome of the case.

The Supreme Court has declined to interfere in the matter of reducing the amount of bail.

CHAMBERLAIN'S TARIFF POLICY IS REPUBLICAN

Discredited by Cabinet Members. He May Resign.

LONDON, June 10.—The rumored resignation of Colonial Secretary Chamberlain is the most startling development of the proposal of the chancellor of the exchequer, Mr. Ritchie, to abolish the corn tax, the debate on which kept the house of commons yesterday packed and spellbound until midnight.

Even if Premier Balfour persuades Mr. Chamberlain to remain in the cabinet, the colonial secretary's preferential tariff program is hopelessly snowed under, and his influence as a political power in Great Britain is at least temporarily eclipsed.

All the members of the government who contributed to yesterday's debate vigorously declared themselves as free traders and frankly opposed Mr. Chamberlain's proposals. Except for Mr. Chaplin, not a voice on either side of the house was raised in effective support of Mr. Chamberlain's campaign.

Ex-members of cabinets and private members, irrespective of party, protested against any tinkering with Great Britain's fiscal policy. The Unionists sided with the Liberals in declaring themselves out-and-out free traders.

All that was lacking in the complete rout of the protectionist cabinet minister was Mr. Balfour's official pronouncement, as premier and on behalf of the government, that the cabinet as a whole refused to adopt Mr. Chamberlain's views. Both the pronouncement and the premier were absent from the debate, because, according to report, Mr. Balfour was spending the evening endeavoring to persuade the colonial secretary to remain in the cabinet notwithstanding his differences with his colleagues.

INCORPORATED WITH CAPITAL OF \$30,000,000

The American and Mexican Smelting and Refining Company, with a capital stock of \$30,000,000, has been incorporated. The articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for the District.

The charter of the organization empowers it to own, lease, and operate placer mines and lode mining claims in the various States and other countries mentioned. The main office of the company will be in New York city, and branch offices will be established throughout the West. A large refinery will be built either at Baltimore or some point in the South. It will be the receiving works for all the base bullion produced in the United States and Mexico, and will be a model institution, in that it will be equipped with all the latest developed methods for refining the precious metals. English and American capital is said to be behind the new enterprise. The incorporators are O. S. Lee, W. C. Clark, and Edwin Christy.

LACK OF MONEY

Was a Godsend in This Case.

It is not always that a lack of money is a benefit. "A lady of Green Forest, Ark., owes her health to the fact that she could not pay in advance the fee demanded by a specialist to treat her for stomach trouble; she quit coffee and took on Postum. In telling of her case she says: 'I had been treated by four different physicians during ten years of stomach trouble. 'Late I called on another who told me he could not cure me; that I had neuralgia of the stomach. Then I went to a specialist who told me I had catarrh of the stomach and said he could cure me in four months, but would have to have his money down. I could not raise the necessary sum and in my extremity I determined to quit coffee and try Postum Food Coffee. 'So I gave up coffee and gave Postum a thorough trial and the results have been magical. I now sleep well at night, something I have not done for a long time; the pain in my stomach is gone and I am a different woman. I dreaded to quit coffee because every time I had tried to stop it I suffered from severe headaches, so I continued to drink it although I knew it was injurious to me, being the cause of my stomach trouble and extreme nervousness. But when I had Postum to shift to it was different. 'And to my surprise I did not miss coffee when I began to drink Postum. Coffee had been steadily and surely killing me and I didn't realize what was doing until I quit.' Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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FORTY GRADUATED AT CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

Degrees Conferred by Mgr. O'Connell, the Rector.

ADDRESS BY DR. SHANAHAN

Explained Use of Ring, Cap, and Chair. Rector Delivered an Eloquent Charge to Class.

Forty students were graduated this morning from the Catholic University of America. Commencement exercises were held in the assembly room of McMahon Hall at 10 o'clock, and degrees in philosophy, law, and theology were conferred by the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Denis O'Connell, rector of the university.

The introductory address was made by the Very Rev. E. T. Shanahan, S. T. D., dean of the faculty of theology, who, in addition to reminding the students of the duties which are now before them, explained the significance of the ring, cap, and chair which are associated with their degrees.

The ring denotes the wedding of the student to science, the cap signifies his emancipation from teaching, while the chair is symbolical of his fitness to occupy the chair of learning. Dr. Shanahan also presented the candidates for their degrees in theology.

Prof. W. C. Robinson, LL. D., presented the graduates in law, while a similar duty was performed by Prof. M. F. Egan, LL. D., for the graduates in philosophy.

Monsignor O'Connell made the closing address to the graduates. He spoke earnestly of the care and time necessary for the proper preparation of students for their respective professions, especially in theology. He urged that sufficient time be spent in perfecting one's knowledge of the teachings of God.

The graduates were conferred upon the following:

Bachelor of laws—McQuilkin DeGrange, Frederick, Md.; A. B. Johns Hopkins University, 1900; William Augustine Feuch, Wurtzboro, N. Y.; Frank Joseph Noonan, Creston, Iowa.

Master of laws—James Richard Lawlor, LL. B. (Southwestern Baptist University, Jackson, Tenn.), 1902; Waterbury, Conn.

Doctor of laws—Kiyomichi Seshimo, LL. B. (Tokyo Hogakuin Law College), 1883, Tokyo, Japan.

Doctor of civil law—Theodore Papazoglou, Smyrna, Turkey; John Weltz Forney Smith, Washington, D. C.; Doctor of philosophy—The Rev. Charles Albert Duhay, S. M., Washington, D. C.; the Rev. Thomas Verner Moore, C. S. P., New York, N. Y.

Bachelor in sacred theology—The Rev. John Walter Healy Corbett, archdiocese of Boston; the Rev. John Edward Flood, archdiocese of Philadelphia; the Rev. Emil Lawrence Gerardi, C. S. P., New York, N. Y.; the Rev. John Joseph Greaney, diocese of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Ralph Hunt, archdiocese of San Francisco; the Rev. William Patrick McNamara, archdiocese of Boston; the Rev. Edward Joseph Mullaly, C. S. P., New York, N. Y.; the Rev. Michael Joseph Neufeld, archdiocese of New York; the Rev. Jerome Louis P. Horn, C. S. P., New York, N. Y.; the Rev. William Ignatius Pelan, diocese of Springfield; the Rev. John Peter Ries, S. M., Washington, D. C.; the Rev. John Gerard Schmidt, archdiocese of St. Louis; the Rev. Henry Joseph Seller, S. M., Washington, D. C.; the Rev. Henry Ignatius Stark, C. S. P., New York, N. Y.; the Rev. Matthew Aloysius Schumacher, C. S. P., Washington, D. C.; Licentiate in sacred theology—The Rev. William Patrick Clark, archdiocese of Cincinnati; the Rev. John Joseph Crane, archdiocese of Boston; the Rev. Thomas Joseph Gaffney, archdiocese of Chicago; the Rev. James Aloysius Gallagher, archdiocese of Philadelphia; Rev. James Martin Gillis, C. S. P., New York; the Rev. William Hugh Grant, archdiocese of Boston; the Rev. William Patrick Healy, archdiocese of Boston; the Rev. Leo Francis O'Neill, archdiocese of Boston; the Rev. John Stephen Shanahan, archdiocese of Dubuque.

Doctor in sacred theology—The Rev. Patrick Joseph Healy, archdiocese of New York; the Rev. John Webster Melton, archdiocese of Chicago; the Rev. Maurice Joseph O'Connor, archdiocese of Boston.

Mgr. O'Connell entertained the dinner of the university in Brookland at dinner today in Caldwell Hall.

SPARROW'S NEST STARTS A FIRE IN CAR BARNS

BRISTOL, Conn., June 10.—A sparrow's nest built over the entrance to the car shed of the Bristol and Plainville Tramway Company was the cause of a fire yesterday which damaged the building to the extent of \$1,200.

The nest was directly above the trolley wire at the point where the wire entered the shed. When a car was pulling out this morning a spark from the trolley wheel ignited the nest, and the flames, creeping up inside the building, communicated with the roof.

BITTEN DOGS SLAIN.

WINSTED, Conn., June 10.—A mad dog ran through the streets today, and bit more than twenty other dogs, including several prize bird hunters, all of which had to be killed. People were driven into houses and stores to escape the animal. Armed constables finally succeeded in shooting it.

DIED.

MATTHEWS—Departed this life on Tuesday, June 9, 1903, at 4 a. m., JOHN H., beloved husband of Lizzie Matthews.

Funeral will take place from 1231 First Street southwest, Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Requiem mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church, South Capitol Street, between N and O Streets, 11 a. m.

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SUBPOENAS IN THE CASE OF MACHEN

Witnesses Summoned to Appear With Documents.

EVIDENCE FROM TOLEDO

Rumor of Another Official Who Is Obtaining \$20,000 Bail in Advance. General Dudley's Statement.

The fact that two, and possibly three, subpoenas were issued in the case of A. W. Machen, the dismissed and indicted superintendent of free delivery, was the cause of much speculation this morning in the Postoffice Department. The subpoenas require those named in them to produce books and papers bearing on the case, and when these papers are examined in court interesting revelations are expected.

It is not known what phase of the case will be affected by the subpoenas issued yesterday, but it is thought that one or more of the subpoenas will be served elsewhere than in Washington. When Machen was arrested it was admitted that some of the evidence against him had been collected in other cities. Since then, Toledo, Ohio, Machen's former home, has been mentioned as one of the cities in which the inspectors obtained material on which to base their arrests, and probably some of Mr. Machen's home folk will be asked to appear at the trial and bring with them divers books and papers.

Involved in More Than One Case.

The case in which Machen was arrested for alleged collusion with the Groff brothers is not the only one in which the inspectors have been investigating and there is a possibility that the subpoenas issued yesterday do not relate to his trial before the petit jury but to a new case before the grand jury.

It was reported yesterday that a Postoffice official, anticipating arrest, had taken steps to obtain bail in \$20,000 from a bonding company. At the Postoffice Department it was said that no arrest was anticipated in which such high bail would be required. Machen was held in \$20,000 on the first indictment and there is a rumor that he is preparing to furnish an equal sum if arrested again.

The hearing of Thomas W. McGregor and C. E. Elsworth Upton on the charge of receiving a "rake off" on rural free delivery mail pouches, will take place in Baltimore tomorrow before United States Commissioner Rogers. It has not yet been learned whether the accused will demand the production of evidence against them or will waive a hearing, but it is thought they will demand the hearing. Both men are out on bail and assert their innocence.

General Dudley's Fee.

Gen. W. W. Dudley, of the law firm of Dudley & Michener, has made a statement to the inspectors about the \$100 which he received for securing a postal substation for a drugstore on Ninth Street. There was some talk about the transaction and the inspectors were curious as to its details.

General Dudley explained that he thought the payment was entirely justified as a fee. He went before the Washington postmaster and argued the merits of his client's location and also instructed his client about the methods of circulating a petition for the station among the residents of the neighborhood. The explanations were accepted and the incident was closed.

WOMAN'S REASON REELS WHEN SHE LOSES \$60

ST. LOUIS, June 10.—Hysterical over the loss of \$60, Martha Miller, a native of Switzerland, was taken to the City Hospital Sunday night, where she became unconscious, remaining in that state several hours.

The woman boards at No. 6 South Fourteenth Street. She left her room at 9 o'clock at night, and when she returned a half hour later found that her trunks had been broken open and the money taken.

While an officer was in the room making an investigation the woman became hysterical. At the hospital Miss Miller said that the money was her savings from peddling needles and pins.

HUMBERTS ARE INDICTED.

PARIS, June 10.—The chamber of indictments holds that there is sufficient evidence against the Humberts, "Crawford millions" fame, to warrant their commitment for trial, and has returned formal counts of forgery, using forged documents and swindling.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

SPECIAL NOTICE—The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Commercial Fire Insurance Company of the District of Columbia will be held at the office of the company, No. 255 Eleventh Street northwest, on THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1903, for the election of directors to serve the ensuing year. Polls open from 12 O'CLOCK NOON to 2 O'CLOCK P. M. Transfer books will be closed from June 15 to 19, inclusive. JOHN W. SCHAEFER, Secretary.

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Rural Free Delivery Employees Bought Places.

SUCH ARE LATEST CHARGES

Investigation Already Under Way—Demand for Examination Into Case of H. H. Rand.

A charge being investigated by the Postoffice inspectors is that a number of people who hold positions in the rural free delivery service, both in Washington and elsewhere, paid money to secure their positions. It could not be learned to whom the payments are alleged to have been made, but it is said that if the people in the service would talk they could tell some strange tales of the way in which adverse influences were suddenly overcome.

Postmaster General Payne will not return to his office until tomorrow. J. L. Bristow, Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, said this morning that no arrests were contemplated for today, and that no decisive action was likely to be taken in the absence of Mr. Payne.

Investigation Likely.

There is much speculation about the manner in which the department will investigate H. H. Rand, the confidential private secretary to Mr. Payne.

Mr. Rand's connection with mining companies, to the stock of which postal employees subscribed, and his close relations with A. W. Machen, the dismissed and indicted superintendent of free delivery, have given rise to the belief that he must necessarily be closely investigated.

An investigation of Mr. Rand is practically an investigation of the Postmaster General's office.

It is felt that it would be placing Mr. Bristow in a most unfortunate and embarrassing position to ask him to investigate the office of his superior and the head of the service. There is no doubt that Mr. Bristow would be as critical in examining that office as he would be in examining any other, but the peculiar conditions he would face in such an undertaking are so obvious that it is thought he would ask to be relieved of the task.

Wheels Within Wheels.

The general opinion is that Mr. Payne should investigate his own office, but there the objection arises that it is Mr. Rand's closest friend in the service, and that Mr. Payne would have trouble in displaying absolute impartiality, especially since he has openly declared the utmost confidence in Mr. Rand.

Mr. Rand's connection with mining properties has been well known in the department ever since he has been there. He occupied positions in a number of them at various times and it is said that his office in the Postoffice building was liberally stocked with glowing descriptions of the easy money to be made by investing in the stocks of various mines in which he was interested in one way or another. Numerous callers are said to have been received in relation to his mine holdings and clerks are said to have commented upon the variety of outside enterprises in which he was engaged.

KISSES TO PAY FOR.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., June 10.—James P. Tittemore, the former fiancé of Frances Pettit, who took 3,000 kisses during his courtship, according to her count, and who later was sued for \$2,000 by Miss Pettit on account of them, will be obliged to pay up. In special term here his counsel moved for a stay of execution in the case, but the motion was denied. Tittemore's shop and his automobile, in which much of the courting was done, were levied upon and will be sold.

FELL TO THEIR DEATH.

CHARLESTON, S. C., June 10.—While repairing a trestle of the Seaboard Air Line over Broad River Monday afternoon an engine and a pile driver went down. The engineer and crew of ten were precipitated into the river. Three were killed.

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